Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* I move that the Committee be authorised to take evidence.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* I had suggested that an Economics Professor from a college may be nominated as a special member.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* There may be one sitting at least in each Taluk.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* We can sit in a central place.

Motion that the bill be referred to the Select Committee put and carried

Deputy President: The Advocate-General will be the Chairman and the report should be submitted before the 30th of January, 1940.

The Cochin Land Acquisition Act Amendment Bill

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* I move that the Cochin Land Acquisition Act Amendment Bill be read in Council.

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government):* I second it.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* I do not think very much argument is necessary. It is almost a corollary to the Bill which has already been referred to a Select Committee. The amendment proposed is to give a definite percentage of land value to the tenants and it is much more than what is given now.

Motion put and carried

Secretary to the Council: The title of the Bill is the Cochin Land Acquisition Act Amendment Bill.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Diwan Peishkar):* I move that the Bill be referred to a Select Committee consisting of the Diwan Peishkar, the Advocate-General, Mr. V. K. Kutty, Mr. K. Ashtamoorthi Nambudiripad, Mr. C. V. Iyyu, Mr. P. Govinda Menon and Mr. T. K. Nayar.

Motion put and carried

Deputy President: The Advocate-General will be the Chairman. The Committee will report before 30th January 1940.

The Cochin Municipal Act Amendment Bill*

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* I move that the Cochin Municipal Act Amendment Bill be read in Council.

* Apperdix II.

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